

CHARNEL MULLIGAN PARK RENOVATION

Public Workshop #2 – February 12, 2013



Agenda

- Introductions and project recap - 10 min.
- Public feedback to date - 15 min.
- EPD - 15 min.
- Discussion/comments/questions - 15 min.
- Possibilities and Priorities - 10 min.
- Next steps, Survey #2 - 5 min.

Park Classifications

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Park History

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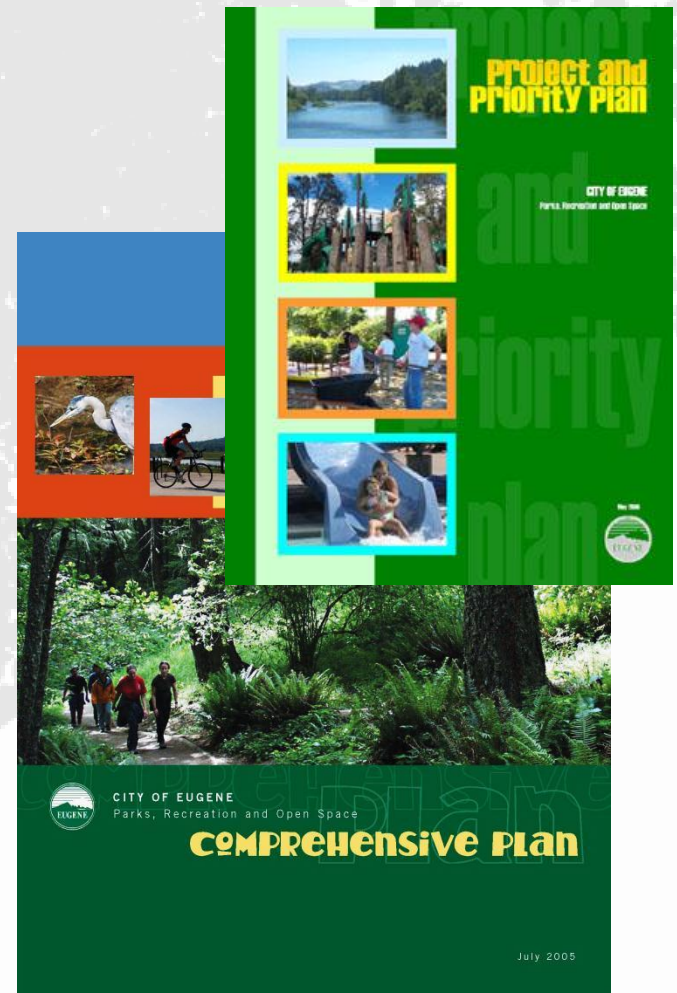
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- ☐ Neighborhood Parks
- ☐ Community Parks
- ☐ Urban Plazas
- ☐ Natural Area Parks
- ☐ Metropolitan Parks
- ☐ Linear Parks and
Greenways
- ☐ Special Use Facilities



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Purpose, Size & Planning Goal

- Provides access to basic recreation opportunities, enhances neighborhood identity, preserves neighborhood open space
- 1/2-mile service area (walking/biking distance)
- Typically 3-5 acres in size (currently range from .37 to 20 acres)
- How big is Charnel Mulligan?
- Planning Goal: A Neighborhood Park within 1/2 mile walking distance of every residentially zoned lot.



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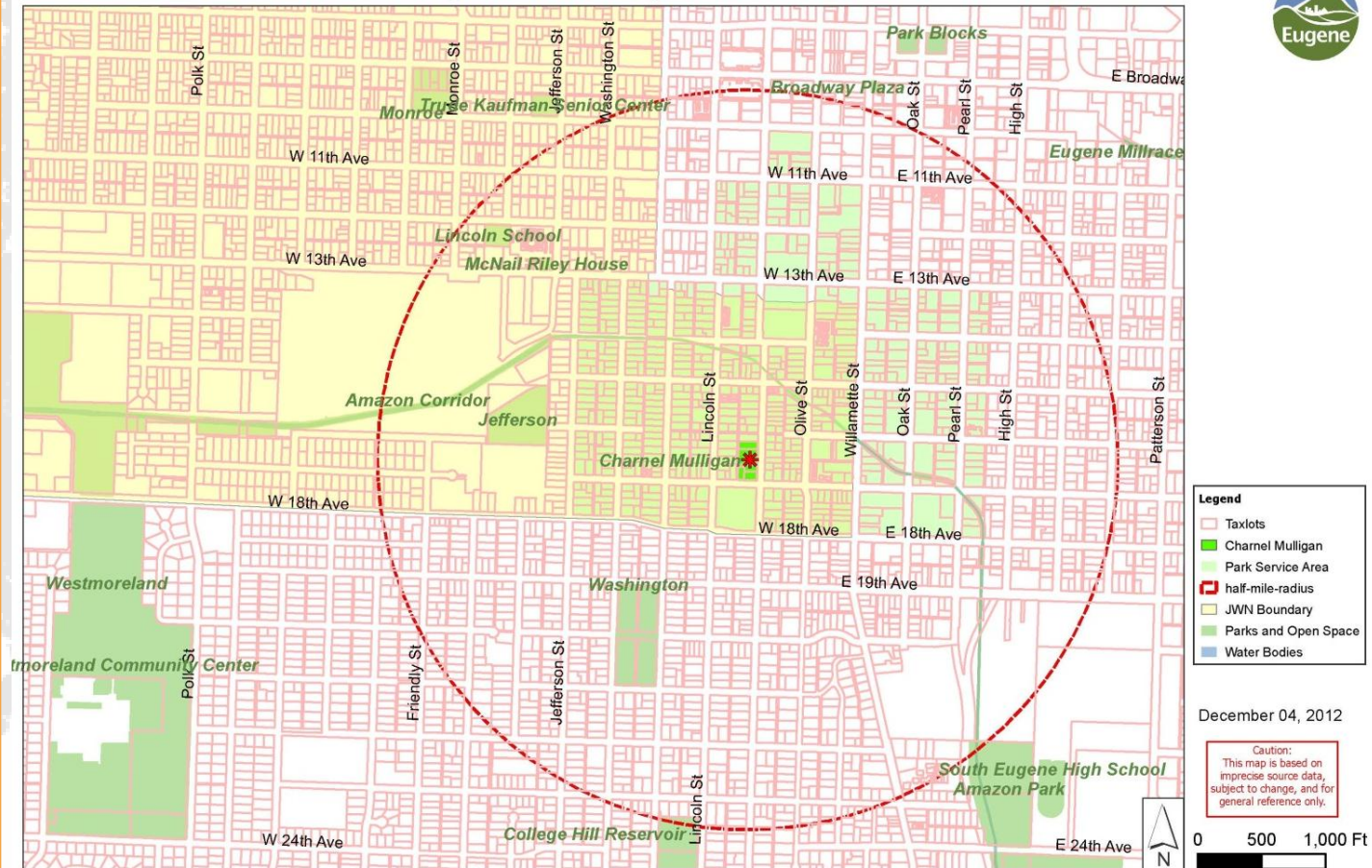
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Charnel Mulligan Park - Neighborhood Boundaries



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What's IN

- ❑ Children's play area
- ❑ Accessible paths
- ❑ Park furniture (benches, tables, trash, fountain)
- ❑ Open space (un-programmed), trees, turf

What's OPTIONAL (examples)

- ❑ Shelter, lights, basketball (informal), etc.
- ❑ Landforms, water play, art
- ❑ Habitat restoration, wetlands, prairies



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What's OUT

- ❑ Programmed athletic facilities (ex: ball fields)
- ❑ Community centers, aquatic centers, skate parks, dog off-leash areas, community gardens, or other special facilities that create a “draw”
- ❑ Off-street parking
- ❑ Restrooms



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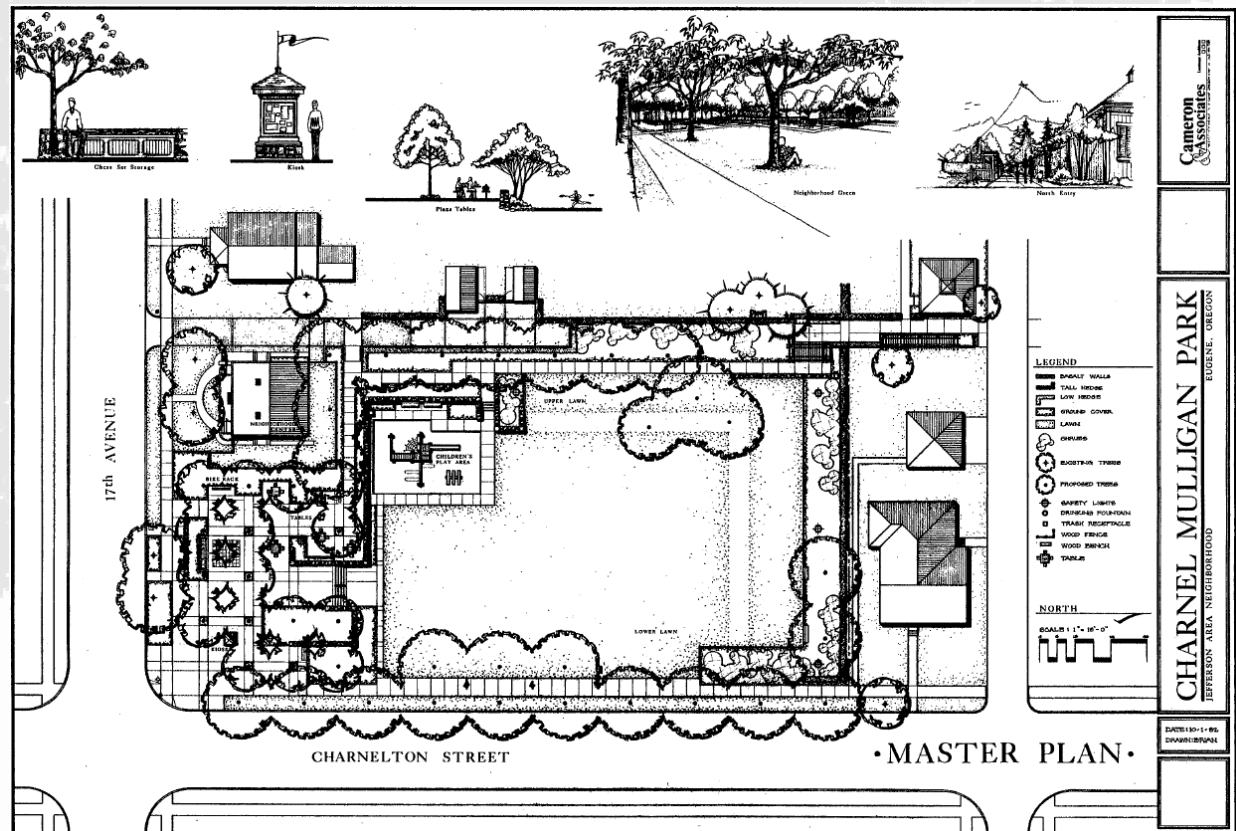
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- Current design by Cameron and Associates 1982-1984 using CDBG funds



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- 1 Acre (Alley & ROW not included)
- Irrigated lawn & landscaping - 0.7 acres
- Hardscape & play area – 0.3 acres
- Very small play area – 1500sf.
- Picnic Shelter
- Basalt retaining walls on west and south edges of field
- Mature trees – mostly non-native, some in questionable health
- Berms on north and west edges of field
- Furnishings - picnic tables, benches, drinking fountain, lights, trash receptacle



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Project Funding and Resources:

- Up to \$300K from System Development Charges
- Up to \$200K from Federal Community Development Block Grant
- Volunteers
 - Eugene Park Stewards
 - Park adoption group
- Other?



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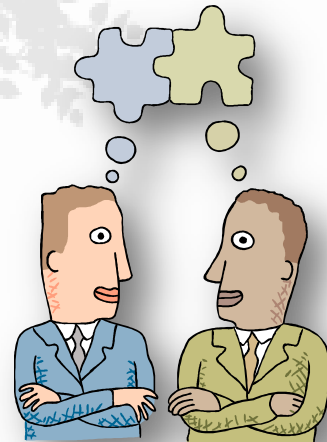
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□ Your Role

- Provide input
- Ask Questions
- Help make sure all the issues, concerns, opportunities, suggestions and desires are out on the table

□ How Input is Used

- To identify relative levels of support and/or opposition
- To identify benefits and values
- To identify issues, conflicts, problems
- To identify potential solutions or alternatives
- To help determine priorities



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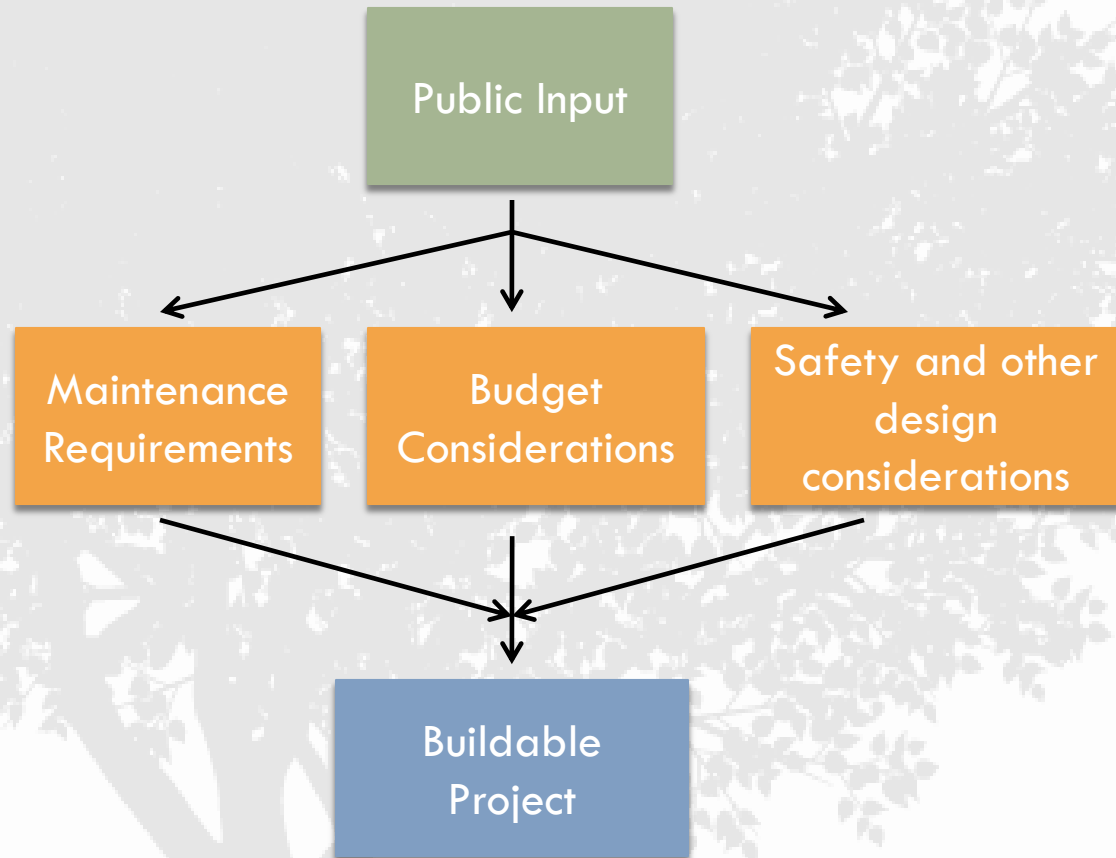
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City Decision Filters



Budget
Considerations

Annual O & M Need vs. Annual Revenue

\$7,000,000

\$6,000,000

\$5,000,000

\$4,000,000

\$3,000,000

\$2,000,000

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Total Need

Resources

\$800,000

\$5,750,000

\$1,700,000

\$100,000

\$250,000

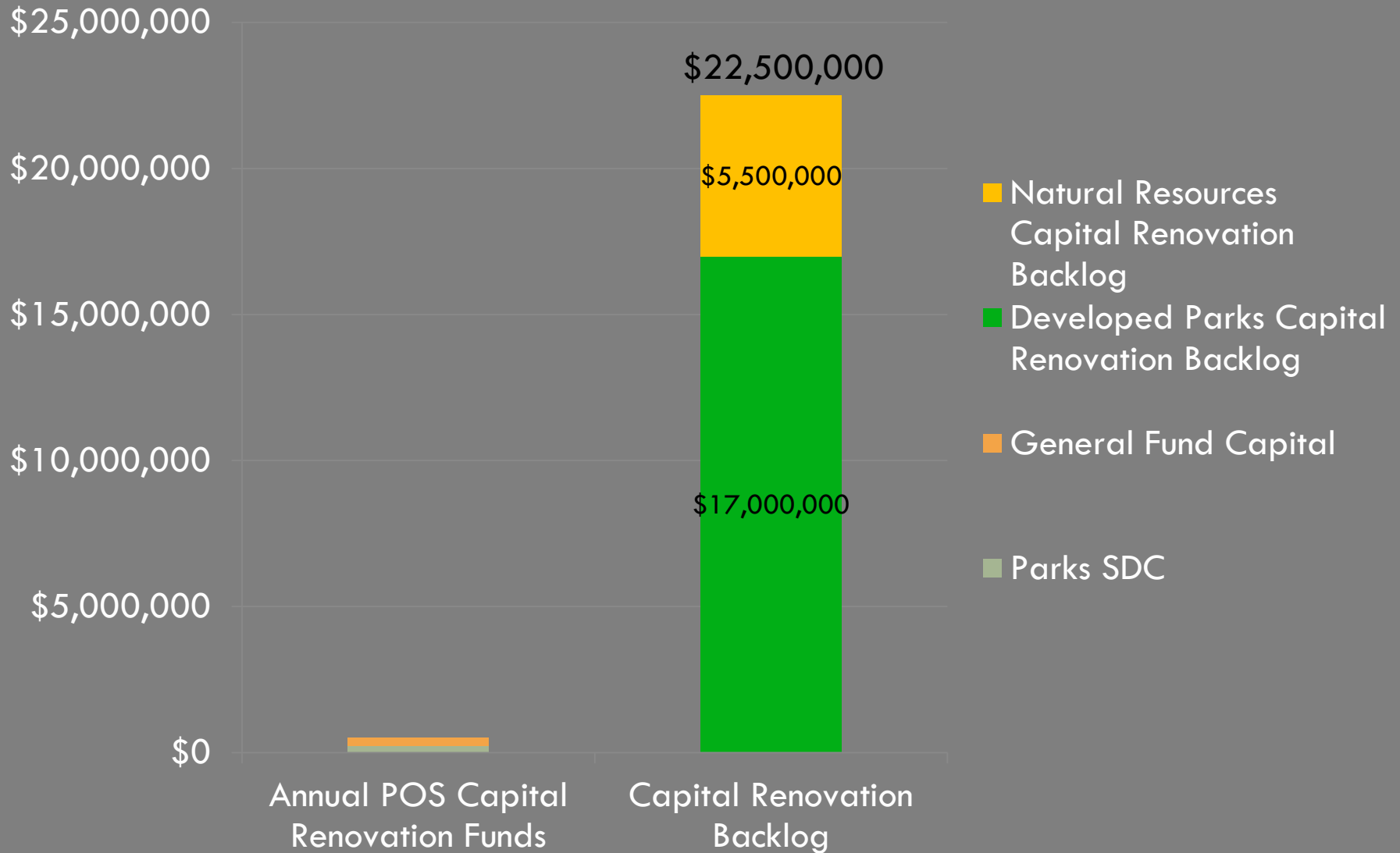
\$300,000

\$4,200,000

- Unmet Need
- Anticipated Grants
- Volunteers
- Natural Areas
- Developed Parks

Budget
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Capital Renovation Need vs. Available Funds



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- POS will use all input to help inform the public process and develop a draft design
- All projects negatively impact some parties!
- Final Design decisions are not a result of
 - ▣ a consensus process or
 - ▣ a “majority rules” voting process
- The final project design decisions will be a transparent judgment call by the City.

Public Feedback - Web Survey #1

Charnel Mulligan Park Renovation - Web Survey #1

Thank you for contributing your ideas!

This survey is for collecting public input for the Charnel Mulligan Park Renovation Project.

More information about the park can be found on the
[Charnel Mulligan Park Renovation Project Webpage](#)

The Survey will be open until 12 pm on Sunday, January 13, 2013.

You can also submit your ideas in hard copy, by sending them to Philip Richardson, Eugene Parks and Open Space,
1820 Roosevelt Blvd, Eugene, OR 97405.

This survey contains 12 questions, and takes about 10 minutes to complete. The survey responses will remain anonymous, but if you'd like to receive project email updates, there is a place to leave your email address at the end of the survey.

1. How near to Charnel Mulligan Park do you live?

- ☐ Next to the park or within sight of the park
☐ Within a 1/2 mile (within 5-7 blocks)
☐ More than a 1/2 mile away

Other (please specify)

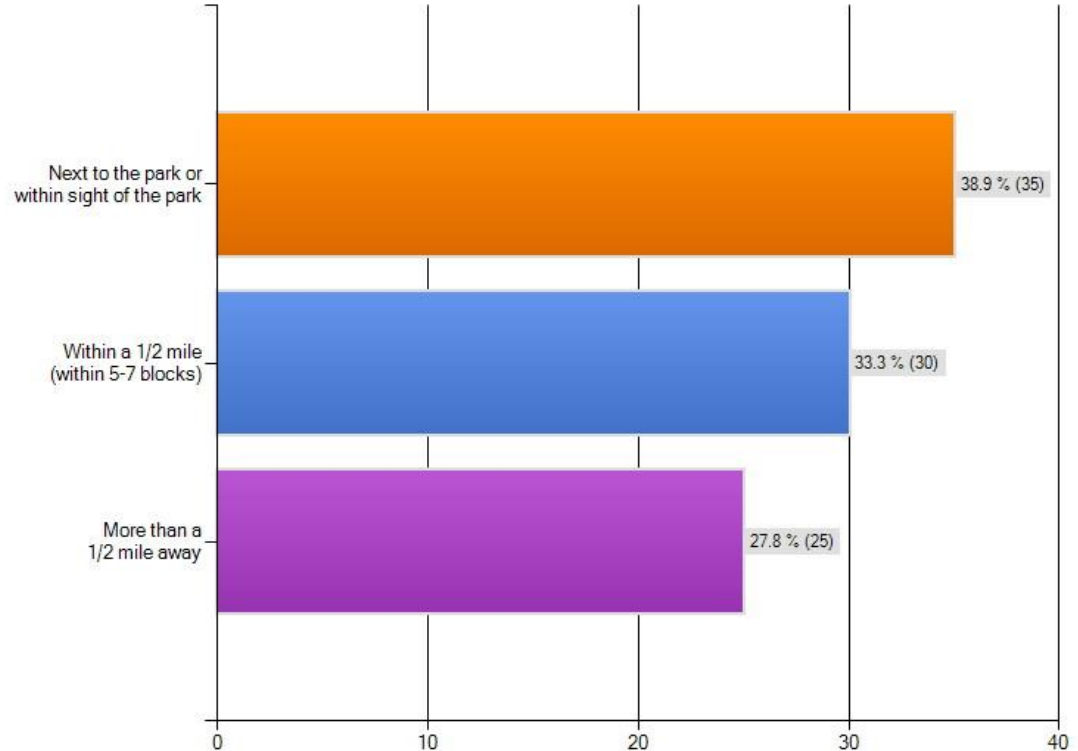
2. What is your age?

- ☐ 12 or under
☐ 13-21
☐ 22-35
☐ 36-50
☐ 51-64
☐ 65 or older

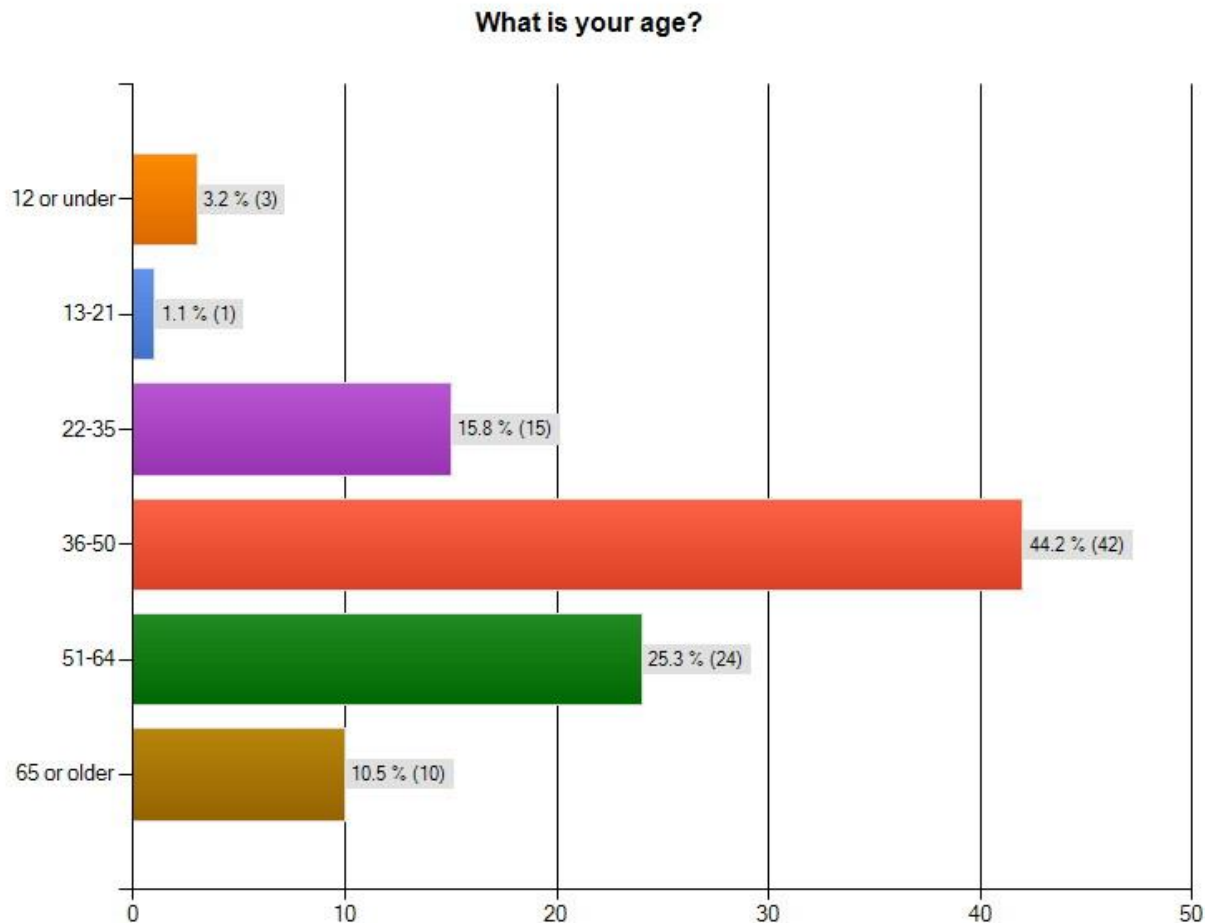
3. Did you attend the initial public workshop at the Washington Park Community Center on Tuesday, December 4th?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

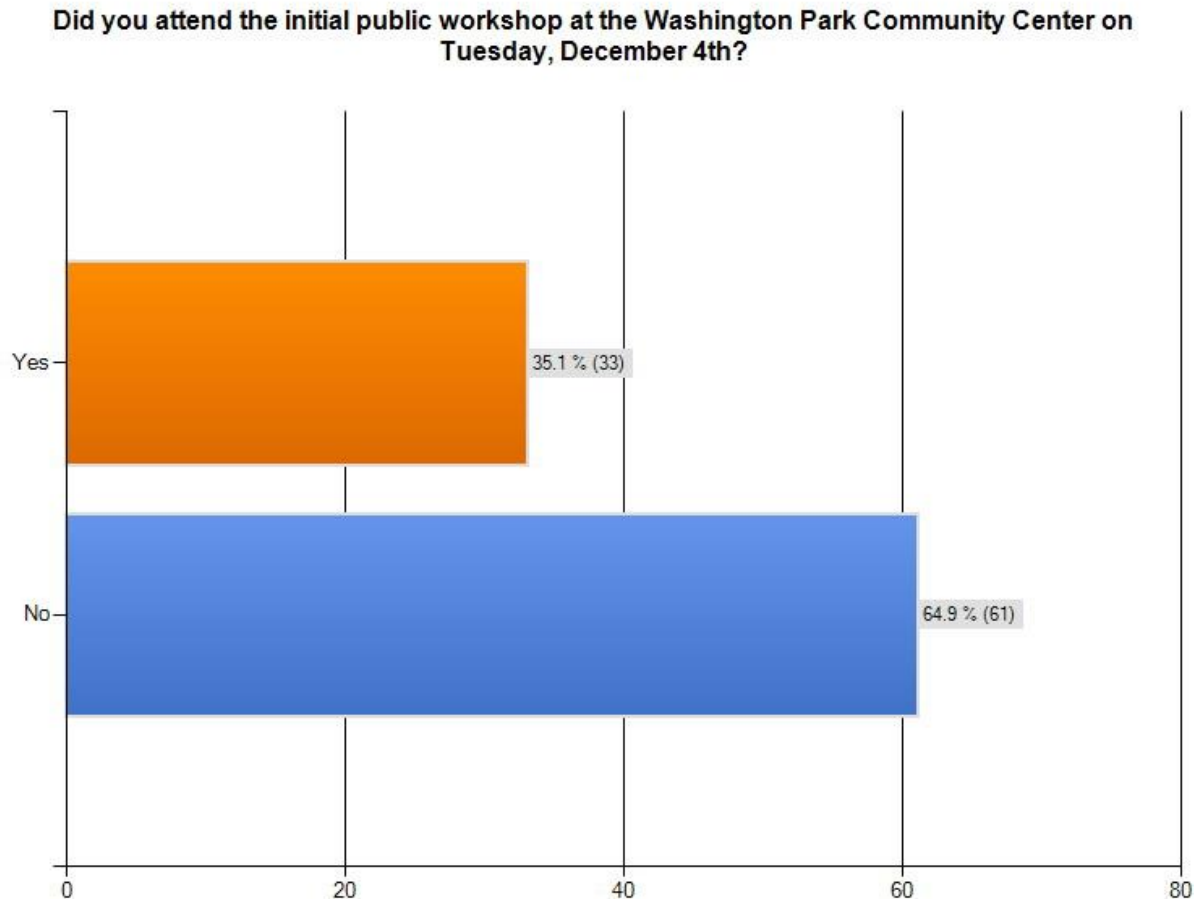
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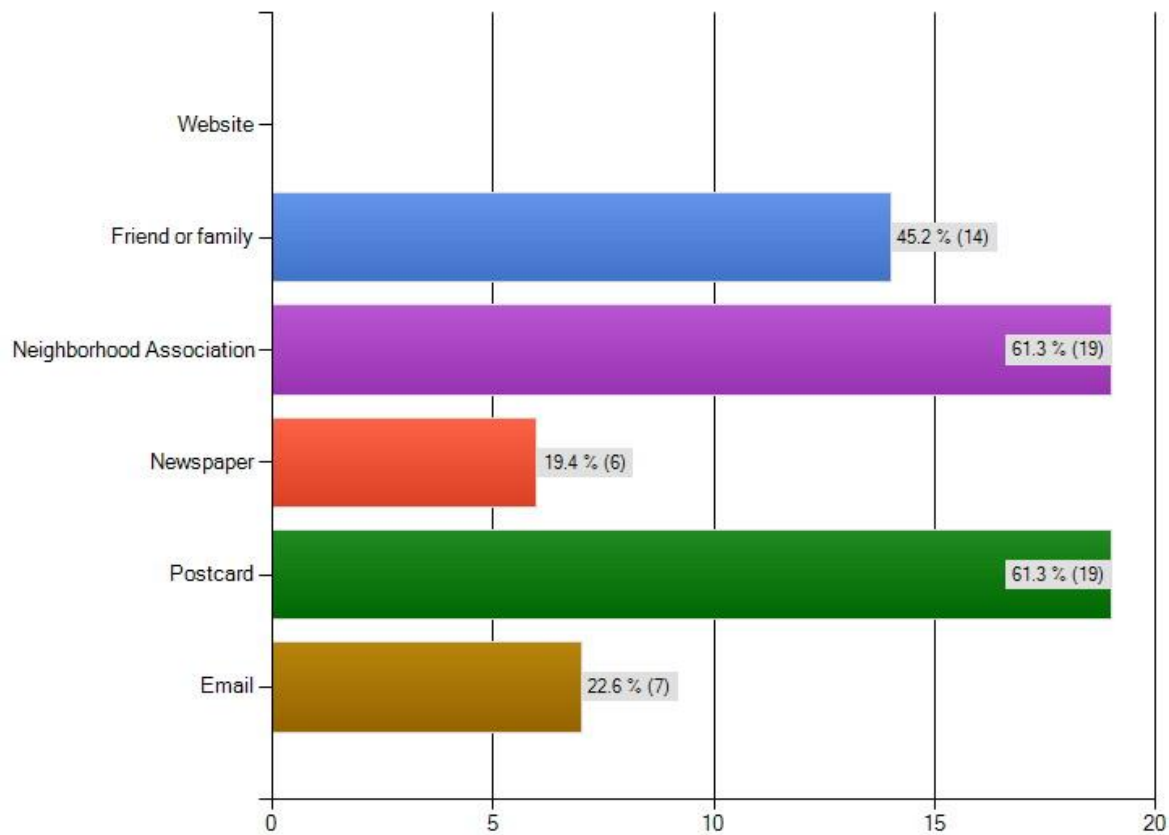


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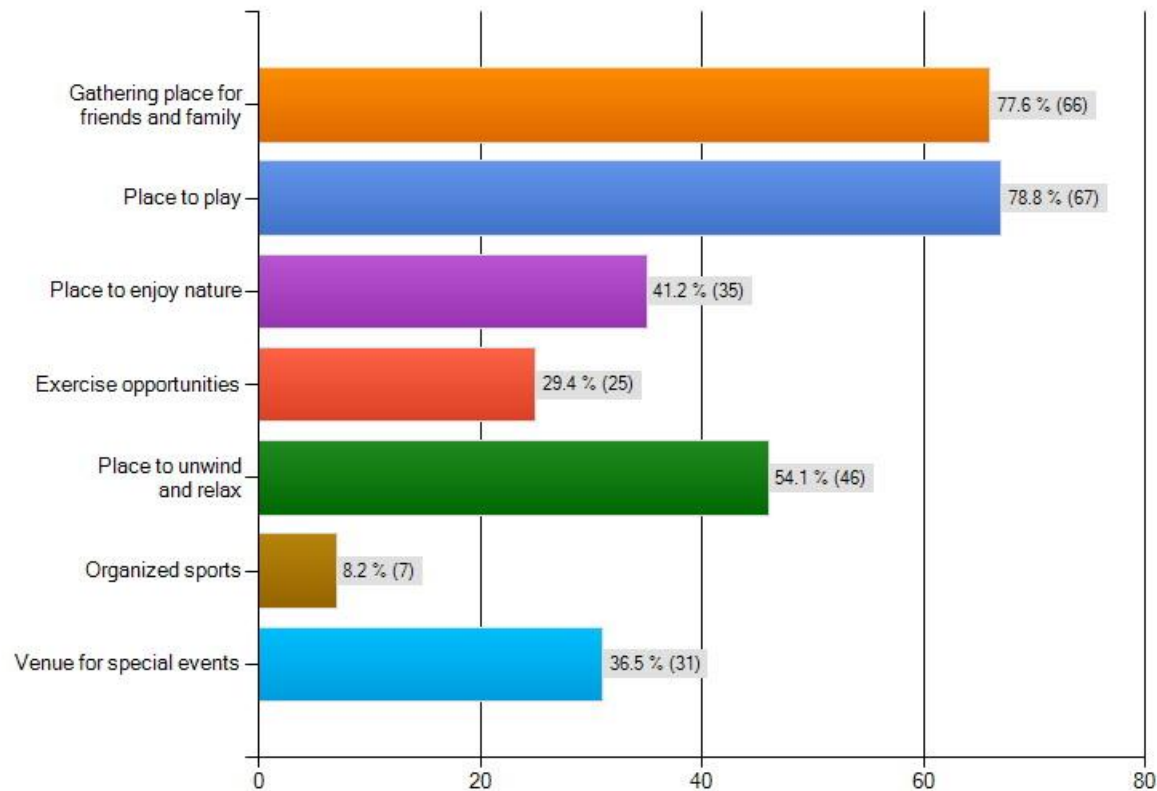
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How did you hear about the initial public meeting on December 4? (Select all that apply)

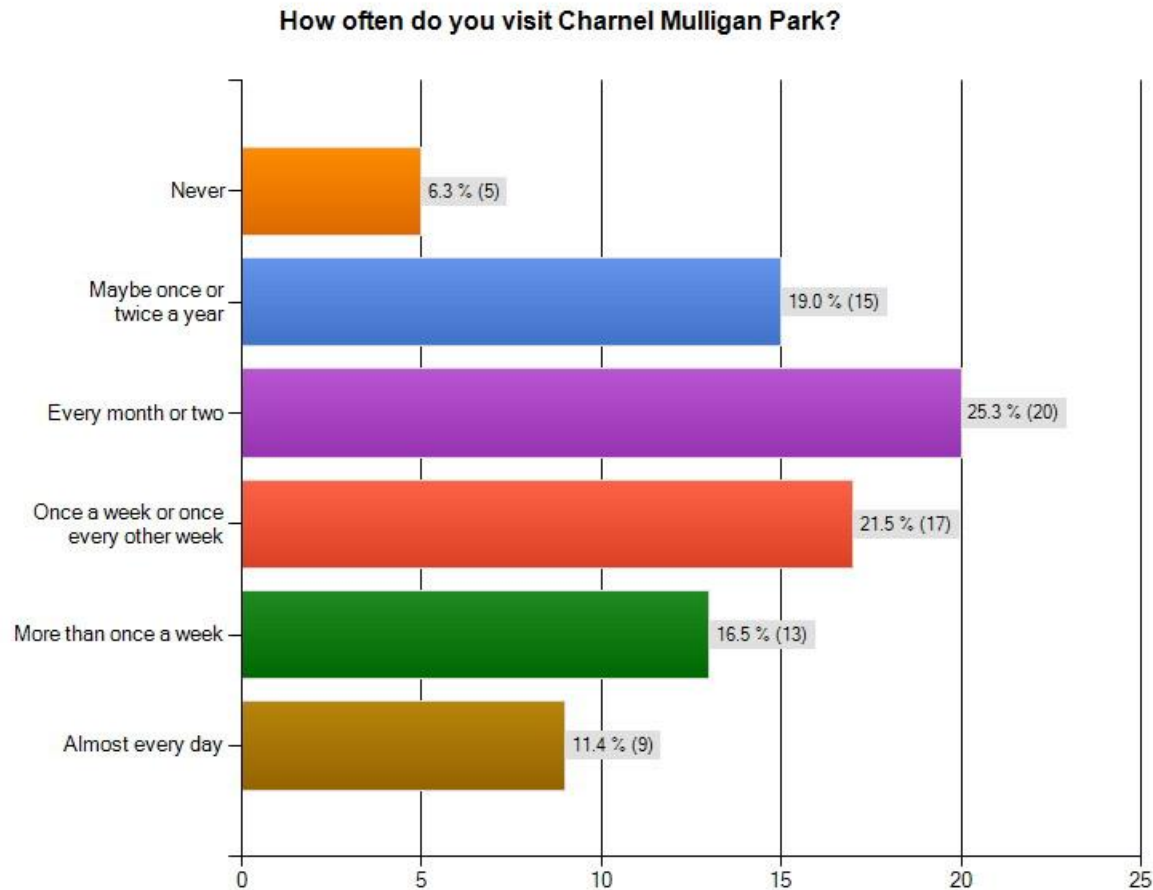


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Which of the following general park uses are most important to you? (check all that apply)



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Question 7

When you visit Charnel Mulligan Park, what do you do and what areas do you use most often?

- **Grassy Field** - running around, frisbee, soccer, playing with kids, lying on the grass, dogs, etc.
- **Play Area** - swings, slide, structure, sand
- **Hard Surface areas and walkways** - Public and neighborhood events, walking through and around

Also mentioned: tables and benches

The Shelter was mentioned as both being used, and unable to be used.

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Question 8

What do you think the goals of the park renovation should be?

- ☐ **Safety** – making the park safe by addressing threatening & illegal behavior
- ☐ **Creating a friendly environment** – making the park a welcoming and inviting place to be
- ☐ **Improving the play area** – better, updated variety of features
- ☐ **Providing activities for all ages**

Also mentioned: Beauty, Providing a community gathering spot, improving natural areas and landscape (not overdeveloping) and improving circulation and access.

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Question 9

What existing features or aspects of the park do you like the most, or feel are most important to preserve?

- **Lawn and open space** – the open feeling
- **Play area** – as long as it gets updated
- **The shelter** – many understand that it attracts problems, but hope it can be retained.
- **Trees and natural features**

Also mentioned: paved areas and walkways, picnic tables, benches and lighting.

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Question 10

What do you feel needs to be improved or changed most?

- **Shelter** – most mentioning it felt it should be removed. Alternate suggestions included moving to corner, locking it, framing it in, removing tables.
- **Play area** – suggested improvements included chips instead of sand, adding sand and water play, new structure, larger swing and slide, climbing wall.
- **Behavior** – Although directly addressable by park design, this was frequently mentioned. More police patrols was a frequent request. Design based solutions included increasing visibility into park (i.e. alley and back corner), removing hiding places, and adding more fun things to attract positive uses.
- **Basketball ½ court** – other suggestions for all age activity included exercise equipment, picnic table with chess board, bocce or petanque court.

Also mentioned: many suggestions including free wireless, more trees and landscaping, volunteer maintained flower gardens, etc.

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Question 11

What do you feel are the most important issues facing the park?

- **Behavior issues** – by far the most common issue cited. Many respondents feel that the **park is not safe** – for children and families and others.
- **The shelter** – is seen by most as a focal point and draw for these problems.
- **Increasing positive use and activities** - police patrols, playground improvements, better visibility, making it more inviting for play, keeping park cleaner, etc.

Also mentioned: dogs running loose/owners not picking up dog waste.

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Question 12

What additional information would you need in order to provide informed input about the renovation of Charnel Mulligan Park?

Question 13

Are there any additional comments or suggestions you feel would be helpful?



Eugene Police Department

Sergeant Larry Crompton

Presentation followed by questions and answers

Possibilities and Priorities

Feedback Conclusions to date

- Deal with inappropriate behaviors and use of park.

Physical Design

- Shelter
- Increasing visibility and activity throughout site
- Maintaining grassy field and open space
- Improve play area
- Potentially add features for all age activity
 - Basketball 1/2 court
 - Exercise Equipment
 - ??















Next Steps

- Take the next web survey!
- Leave us your email if you'd like project updates
- Next meeting will be in April/May
- Depending on funding and public process, construction may begin as early as summer of 2014



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Thank you!

